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Robert R. ULRICH et al. ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
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No.: 08/797,451 )  
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Filed: May 13, 1999 )  
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For: PATTERN AND COLOR )  
ABSTRACTION IN A GRAPHICAL )  
USER INTERFACE )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the original ABSTRACT with the new ABSTRACT attached hereto on a separate page.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 3, before "entitled" insert --08/782,829, filed January 13, 1997--;

line 4, after "Interfaces" insert /, which is a continuation of application

No. 08/243,327, filed May 16, 1994 (now abandoned)--;

line 5, after "No." insert --08/243,268, filed May 16, 1994,--;

line 6, after "Interfaces", delete the remainder of the line and insert --all of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--;

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